Ottawa, 8th Pebruary, 1911.

sir,-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 4th instant and the communication enclosed from Mr.

J. A. Mulligan, Barrister of Sudbury, in regard to the fine imposed upon Francis Commanda for having certain game and furs in his possession; and in reply I have to inform you with regard to the proposal to appeal the case that there is no occasion to take such action as the Department has already a "stated case" and when the decision with regard thereto is given by the court, it will effect Commanda's case and all other cases of a similar nature. You may advise Mr. Mulligan to this effect.

I may add that if the Indians or the minissing Band wish to pay Commanda's cost and fine imposed, the Department will be prepared to consider payment upon receipt of a copy of resolution of Council to that effect passed by the Council of the Band.

Your obedient servant,

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Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

Geo. P. Cockburn, Esq., Indian Agent,

Sturgeon Falls, Ont.

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